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SUBJECT: MAOR NEUBAUER CHARGES CONCERTED SOVIET AND WARSAW PACT
POLITICAL OFFENSIVE ON WEST BERLIN

1. SUMMARY: IN AUGUST 17 INTERVIEW WITH DPA, MAYOR NEUBAUER
WARNED THAT SOVIET UNION, GDR, AND OTHER WARSAW PACT
STATES HAVE INITIATED "PURPOSEFUL CAMPAIGN" AGAINST WEST
BERLIN AND ITS POSITION WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF QA. WHILE
DENYING THAT THIS CAMPAIGN COULD BE SPOKEN OF AS
CRISIS, HE MAINTAINED THAT IT REQUIRED ATTITUDE OF "WATCH-
FUL VIGILANCE" ON PART OF WEST BERLINERS. END SUMMARY.

2. AS FOCAL POINTS OF THIS OFFENSIVE AGAINST WEST BERLIN
NEUBAUER ENUMERATED DIFFICULTIES EXPERIENCED BY FRG IN
NEGOTIATING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CZECHOSLOVAKIA,
HUNGARY, AND BULGARIA; REFUSL OF SOVIET BLOC STATES TO
RECOGNIZE ORGANIZATIONAL UNITY OF BERLIN SPORTS FEDER-
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ATION WITH THAT OF FRG; "GROUNDLESS REPROACH" THAT WEST

BERLIN WAS IN FACT INTEGRATED INTO DEFENSE SYSTEM OF FRG;
AND ATTEMPT TO MAKE SENAT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMMERCIAL EXFILTRATION. NEUBAUER DID NOT EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY THAT CONSTITUTIONAL COURT DECISION ON BASIC TREATY HAD CONTRIBUTED TO SHIFT FROM "POLICY OF PINPRICKS" AGAINST WEST BERLIN TO THIS "CONCERTED TEST OF STRENGTH" OF STEADFASTNESS OF FRG, SENAT, AND ALLIES.

3. NEUBAUER SAID THAT THERE COULD BE NO DOUBT AS TO GOAL OF CURRENT CAMPAIGN BY SOVIET BLOC AGAINST WEST BERLIN, NAMELY TO TRANSFORM EXISTING CLOSE FRG-WEST BERLIN TIES, AS CONFIRMED IN QA, INTO "LOOSE, NON-BINDING SPONSORSHIP." IN SO DOING, SOVIET UNION AND BLOC STATES WERE NOT TECHNICALLY VIOLATING QA, BUT WERE ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH LETTER ONLY AND WERE INTERPRETING IT IN FASHION MOST FAVORABLE TO THEMSELVES. NEUBAUER EMPHASIZED THAT, IN CONTRADISTINCTION, SENAT WOULD FULLY OBSERVE BOTH SPIRIT AND LETTER OF QA IN PURSUING FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF WEST BERLIN. ANY ATTEMPTS TO FORCE SENAT TO RETREAT FROM POSITION ASSURED TO WEST BERLIN BY QA WOULD BE RESOLUTELY REJECTED. BY WAY, PERHAPS, OF GENTLE REMINDER, NEUBAUER POINTED OUT THAT BOTH FRG AND WESTERN ALLIES HAD LEFT NO DOUBT STANDING THAT BERLIN WOULD BE CONSIDERED TOUCHSTONE OF GENUINENESS AND PROGRESS OF DETENTE. KLEIN

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